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Washington, DC 20231

CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

This is a request for a:

☒ Continuation

☐ Divisional

application under 37 CFR §1.53(d) of prior application:

PARTICULARS OF PRIOR APPLICATION

Application Serial No. 09/244,788

Confirmation No.: 4159

Filed: 2/5/99

Inventor: Suketu A. Parikh

Examiner: Pham, T.

Group Art Unit: 2813

Title: Dual Damascene Misalignment Tolerant Techniques For Vias And Sacrificial Etch Segments

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INVENTORSHIP STATEMENT

This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above, and the inventor(s) in this application are:

☒ the same

☐ less than those named in the prior application, and it is requested that the following inventor(s) identified above for the prior application be deleted:

IDENTIFICATION OF CLAIMS FOR FURTHER PROSECUTION

☒ The fees to be charged are to be based on the number of claims remaining as a result of the:

☐ attached preliminary amendment

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03 FC:1202 54.00 CH

- ☐ unentered amendment filed under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior application, which is now repeated.
- ☒ the claims as on file in the prior application and the amendment filed in the prior application on 12/18/01.

FEE CALCULATION (37 CFR 1.16)

	NUMBER OF CLAIMS FILED	LESS NUMBER PAID BY BASIC FEE	NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS (Not less than zero)	LARGE ENTITY FEE
Basic Fee				\$750.00--
Total Claims	23	- 20 = 3	x 18 =	54.00
Independent Claims	4	- 3 = 1	x 84 =	84.00--
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims + 280				-0-
Total Filing Fee Calculation:				\$888.00--

PETITION FOR SUSPENSION OF PROSECUTION FOR THE TIME NECESSARY TO FILE AN AMENDMENT

- ☐ There is provided herewith a Petition for Suspension of Prosecution for the Time Necessary to File an Amendment (37 CFR 1.103) - New Application Filed Concurrently

FEE PAYMENT BEING MADE AT THIS TIME

- ☐ No filing fee is submitted
- ☒ Filing Fee \$888.00
- ☒ Recording assignment (\$40) [37 CFR 1.21(h)] 40.00
- ☐ Processing and retention fee (\$130) [37 CFR 1.53(d) and 1.21(l)]
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1074 the amount of: \$928.00

(A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed)

AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees which may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application, to **Deposit Account No. 50-1074**.
- ☒ 37 CFR 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)
- ☒ 37 CFR 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)
- ☒ 37 CFR 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)
- ☒ 37 CFR 1.17 (application processing fees)
- ☐ 37 CFR 1.18 [issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b)]

INSTRUCTIONS AS TO OVERPAYMENT

☒ Credit Deposit Account No. 50-1074.

ASSIGNMENT

- ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: Applied Materials, Inc.
- ☐ An assignment of the invention to: _____, is attached.
- ☐ Form PTO 1595 (Recordation Form Cover Sheet) is also attached (**in duplicate**)

POWER OF ATTORNEY

☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

Michael L. Sherrard	Registration No. 28,041
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- ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- ☐ The power does not appear in the original papers, but was filed on _____.
- ☐ A new power has been executed and is attached.
- ☒ Address all future communications to:

Patent Counsel
APPLIED MATERIALS, INC.
P. O. Box 450A
Santa Clara, CA 95052

MAINTENANCE OF COPENDENCY OF PRIOR APPLICATION

- ☒ A petition, fee is concurrently filed and is enclosed herewith, to extend the term in the pending prior application until February 9, 2003.
- ☒ The present CPA Request provides the response to the pending prior application, as provided in the enclosed petition to extend the term in the pending prior application.

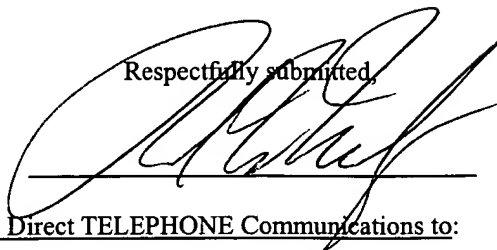
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

[] Submitted herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement

Date:

1/27/03

Respectfully submitted,



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Sir:

Enclosed for the above-identified application please find:

- Petition (duplicate) to extend the term for response within the third month, including:
 - Extension Fee \$930.00
 - Fee Payment Authorization

Please address all correspondence to:

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